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Steve – wanted you to know I’ve had calls with Melissa and Frank. I was told that if we have current or relatively near-term reuse needs, HQ is willing to fully fund up to 5 regional seed projects for R8. What this means: If we want to do something like the East Helena charrette for Colorado Smelter and/or Upper Animas, for example, it would be paid by HQ. Further work post-charrette would need to be funded by the region. (Unless I’m able to negotiate something further in the future.)

So...I need to know if this is something we want to start scoping in the near term for Upper Animas or VB/I-70, and I know you need to have discussions with Paula. Or it could be another site, since I only specifically mentioned Colorado Smelter. I am moving forward on Colorado Smelter, since I know we are going to want that there, you and I have discussed it, and I have checked in with Sabrina and the team.

If we don’t have near-term uses for this money, it will likely go to another region who is ready to move. Conversely, we wouldn’t want to say we are going to use it, and then just let it languish, unused.

Please call if you want to discuss!

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